



PATENT APPLICATION *THW 2621*

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Akira Karasundani
Serial No.: 09/911,776
Conf. No.: 3857
Filed: July 24, 2001
For: FILE SYSTEM, STORAGE
AREA MANAGING METHOD,
AND STORAGE MEDIUM
THEREOF
Art Unit: 2621
Examiner: Chevalier, Robert

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October 18, 2006

Date

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Commissioner for Patents
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TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication regarding the above-identified application.

(X) Response A.

(X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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RESPONSE A

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 2, 2006, please consider the following remarks: